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SUBJ: PRESS COVERAGE OF ACTIVATION OF SFM

ON FEB 22, 1976 AND ENTRY INTO

THE BUFFER ZONE THEREAFTER

REF: STATE 37523

1. WITH REGARD TO VISITS BY THE PRESS I HAD MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE PRESS IN ISRAEL MUST HAVE THE PERMISSION OF GOI AND THE UN AUTHORITIES BEFORE THE MATTER WAS TAKEN UP WITH ME. LIKEWISE, I HAD STATED THAT ANY PRESS WHICH WISHES TO VISIT THE SFM WOULD HAVE TO HAVE THE APPROVAL OF GOE AND THE UN BEFORE TAKING THE MATTER UP WITH ME.

2. IN VIEW OF EGYPTIAN SENSITIVITY CONCERNING BOTH THE CEREMONY ON FEB 22 AND ENTRY INTO THE BUFFER ZONE THEREAFTER, I HAVE ASKED FOR APPOINTMENTS WITH GEN. LILJESTRAND (CG UNEF) THIS DATE AND WITH GEN. SIILASVUO FOR EITHER
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LATE AFTERNOON TUESDAY OR DURING THE DAY

WEDNESDAY AND WILL POINT OUT TO BOTH THE
DESIRABILITY OF INSURING THAT CLEARANCE IS OBTAINED
FROM GOC AS WELL WHEN REQUESTS ARE MADE
BY THE PRESS IN ISRAEL TO ENTER THE BUFFER
ZONE. I WILL STRESS THAT SFM WILL ABIDE BY
UN DECISIONS BUT THAT WE HOPE THAT LEGITIMATE
INTERESTS OF US PRESS WOULD BE TAKEN INTO
CONSIDERATION REGARDLESS OF GEOGRAPHIC ORIGIN
OF EACH PRESS VISIT.

3. INVITATIONS TO THE ACTIVATION OF SFM ON
FEB 22 WILL INCLUDE GEN SIILASVUO, JOHN MILES
(POLITICAL ADVISER TO GEN SIILASVUO),
GEN LILJESTRAND AND CO GHANA BATTALION WHICH
IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SECURITY OF EARLY WARNING
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